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October 10, 2003

Governor Jim Doyle
State of Wisconsin
State Capitol
115 East
Madison, WI 53702

Re: Enforcement Discretion for Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Dear Governor Doyle:

I am writing in response to your October 10, 2003 letter in which you request that the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) exercise its enforcement discretion regarding potential violations of the requirement to distribute only reformulated gasoline (RFG) in the Milwaukee-Racine, Wisconsin RFG covered area, as identified in your letter. I understand that the Milwaukee metropolitan area is currently suffering an unprecedented gasoline shortage, caused by several factors.

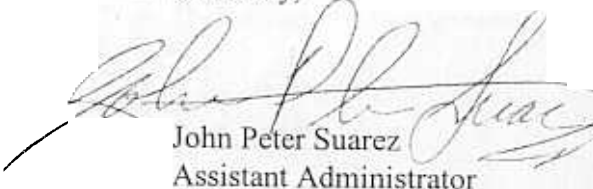
Based on the limited amount of time that EPA has had to collect information on this supply matter, and the urgency with which you have requested a response, EPA will exercise enforcement discretion to allow regulated parties to supply conventional gasoline in the Milwaukee-Racine RFG covered area. However, this grant of enforcement discretion is conditioned upon regulated parties taking all reasonable steps to produce and supply RFG or the cleanest gasoline possible to the ozone non-attainment area. This exercise of enforcement discretion is effective immediately and will continue until midnight on Monday, October 13, 2003. Retailers may continue to sell conventional gasoline received prior to this deadline until it is depleted.



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If you have questions, please call Mr. Bruce C. Buckheit, Director of the Air Enforcement Division, at (202) 564-2260.

Sincerely,



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